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Smallpox in Mobile, Ala.

MOBILE, ALA., *March 13, 1896.*

SIR: I have the honor to report the arrival in this city of the second case of smallpox, coming, as did the first, on a freight train from New Orleans. The board of health has decided upon compulsory vaccination, and as soon as the material can be procured five physicians will begin the work.

Very respectfully,

E. K. SPRAGUE,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Smallpox in Missouri.

KANSAS CITY, MO., *March 11, 1896.*

SIR: It becomes my duty to inform you that there now exists in Pleasant Hill, Cass County, Mo., 33 cases of smallpox. There have been 2 deaths there, and both were white. Four of the 33 cases now existing are colored. All are convalescing. There have been 37 cases of the disease reported from New Madrid County, Mo., with 8 deaths. All were colored with the exception of 1 white child. I have had a hard time getting a report from this and other districts in south-east Missouri. Two cases were reported at Lone Jack, Jackson County, to-day. Several have been exposed. Have quarantined. There is 1 case (colored) at Nevada, Vernon County, which is now convalescing. A strict quarantine has been maintained with regard to all of the above, and the danger of the disease spreading further is past.

Very respectfully,

WILLIS P. KING,
Secretary State Board of Health.